

Damage Controlman 2nd Class (DC2) Rickey Ellis



Sailor of the Quarter USCGC CAMPBELL (WMEC 909)

Second Class Petty Officer Ellis has been selected as USCGC CAMPBELL's Sailor of the Quarter for the 3rd Quarter of FY 2008. During this period, his outstanding dedication to CAMPBELL and the Engineering Department has been extremely noteworthy.

While underway DC2 Ellis skillfully repaired the engineering vestibule scuttle safety latch ensuring continued safe access for ship personnel to the engine room. During the arduous seven day boarding of the M/V Mostein in Grand Cayman, DC2 Ellis was a vital member of the boarding team using his law enforcement and Damage Controlman expertise to ensure complete space accountability of all tanks and voids. During CAMPBELL's most recent in-port, Petty Officer Ellis coordinated hydro testing of all fire hoses with the Fire Department spending extended hours off-loading, testing, stenciling, and reinstalling all hoses. DC2 Ellis skillfully fabricated brackets for securing the new file cabinets in the Combat Information Center, welded a pinhole leak on the fixed CO2 fire suppressant system in our JP-5 pump space, and orchestrated the rebuild of quick acting water tight door (QAWTD) hinge assembly's with Maintenance Assistance Team (MAT) Kittery to ensure watertight integrity. DC2 Ellis also spearheaded the air quality testing, correcting of discrepancies, and re-filling of over 50 Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA's) with Portsmouth Naval Shipyard Fire Department. He created a First Class Enlisted Professional Military Education (EPME) study guide; assisting fellow shipmates better prepare for End of Course tests and Service

Wide Exams. DC2 Ellis has also spent many hours training and working with newly reported personnel to help them qualify in their watchstanding.

His work this quarter was of the highest quality and completed with great enthusiasm. DC2 Ellis' professionalism, leadership, and positive attitude are outstanding examples for his shipmates to follow. His selfless devotion to CAMPBELL and the Engineering Department make him an outstanding role model.

DC2 Ellis joined the Coast Guard on September 31st 2003. After receiving basic training at boot camp in Cape May, NJ, DC2 Ellis was assigned to the presidential drill team in Alexandria, VA. In 2005 DC2 Ellis was selected to become a member of the Coast Guard's Silent Drill team. DC2 Ellis had the honor of marching in President Ronald Reagan's funeral and President George W. Bush's inauguration. Next, Petty Officer Ellis attended Damage Controlman School and then reported to the CGC CAMPBELL. DC2 Ellis quickly excelled and was advanced to the rank of DC2. Petty Officer Ellis is expected to depart CAMPBELL on July 1st 2009 and will be sorely missed.